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Response to Office Action 11/08/2001

This is our response to the last Office Action of Nov.8, 2001 concerning the patent application # 09/525,176.

The necessary (requested) items (versions) are provided with this response as given below:

- Clean version of the amended claims.
- Marked-up version of the claims
- Substitute specification
- Marked-up version of the original specification
- Amended Figures (1-13)

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We are also enclosing the fee of \$55 for one month of extension (after the 30 days of initial grace period) for response to the Nov.8, 2001 action.

We are looking forward to hearing soon from your office.

Sincerely,

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